## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Graeme I. Bell Terry Reisine Kazuki Yasuda DEC 2 0 1999

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## I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 13, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action (the "Action") mailed August 13, 1999 for which the three-month date for response was November 13, 1999.

A request for a one-month extension of time to response is included herewith along with the required fee. This one-month extension will bring the due date to December 13, 1999, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such a fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/ARCD:177/WIM.